



**RESPONSE AFTER FINAL  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED  
EXAMINING GROUP ART UNIT 1733**  
Attorney Docket No. 7040.0054.01

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
Riccardo CESARINI et al. )  
Application Serial No.: 10/679,357 ) Group Art Unit: 1733  
Filed: October 7, 2003 ) Examiner: Maki, S.D.  
For: HIGH PERFORMANCE TIRE ) Confirmation No.: 3867  
FOR VEHICLES )

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**

In reply to the final Office Action mailed May 2, 2006, the period for response to which has been extended through November 2, 2006, by a Petition for Extension of Time of three months and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.116, Applicants propose that this application be amended as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 25 of this paper.